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Applicants

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FLOWER FORMATION IN PLANTS

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed January 28, 2003 in which the rejection of claims 71, 74–76, 79–85, 88, 91, 94–101, 104–105, 108, 111–112 and 115–120 was made final. ¹

A check in the amount of \$320.00 in payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b) is enclosed herewith.

¹ Applicants note that claims 84–99 were canceled in the November 12, 2002 Preliminary Amendment filed concurrently with the Continuation Prosecution Application. Accordingly, applicants do not believe that these claims should be part of the rejection.

Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) to extend the time for filing this Notice up to and including July 28, 2003.

In the accompanying Transmittal Letter, submitted herewith in duplicate, applicants authorize the Director to charge any additional fees that may be due, or to credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1075.

Respectfully submitted,

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